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Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company

American Library Association Post Conference Trip

to

The Saguenay & Lower St. Lawrence Rivers

July 3-9, 1912.

POST CONFERENCE TRIP

The Steamer which the party boards is lying quite near (probably a little east of) the spot at which Jacques Cartier landed on the 2nd of October, 1535. "At dawn of day," says Parkman, "they set forth for Hochelaga. An Indian path led them through the forest which covered the site of Montreal. Presently they issued forth upon open fields covered far and near with ripened maize;—before them, wrapped in forests painted by the early frosts, rose the rigid back of the mountain of Montreal, and below, encompassed with its cornfields, lay the Indian town."

Looking southwest from the deck of the steamer, the dome of the Custom House, about half a mile distant, marks the spot where, in 1611, Champlain cleared the ground for his intended post, and, in 1642, Maisonneuve, with his followers, founded Montreal. According to Gollier de Casson, Maisonneuve's first residence, which was soon afterwards built, was situated to the left of, and somewhat further west than, the present Custom House.

Decending the river, Vercheres, about 20 miles from Montreal, marks the site of the heroic resistance to the Iroquois offered by a girl of fourteen (1692).

Cap Rouge—Here in 1542 Roberval founded his colony on the site were Cartier had previously entrenched himself.

Quebec.—In September, 1535, Cartier, "leaving behind the gorge of the Saguenay, passed the Ile des Coudres and the promontory of Cap Tourmente, and came to anchor in a quiet channel between the northern shore and the margin of a richly wooded island, where the trees were so thickly hung with grapes that Cartier named it the Island of Bacchus." It was on the banks of the St. Charles nearby that Cartier wintered, close to the Indian village Stadacona, which marked the site of the present city of Quebec. The fort which Cartier built was discovered by Champlain in 1608.

Saguenay River.—Father LaJeune in his Relation of 1632, thus speaks of the Saguenay: "On the 18th June we cast anchor at Tadousac. This is another bay or very small cove, near which there is a river named Sagué, which empties into the great river St. Lawrence. This river is as beautiful as the Seine, about as rapid as the Rhone, and deeper than many places in the sea, for it is said to be eighty fathoms deep in its shallowest places. We sojourned here from the 14th June to the 3rd July. It was still very cold when we arrived, but before leaving we felt excessive heat. In a very short time, the leaves, the buds, the flowers, and the fruit appear here and ripen. I mean the wild fruit as there is no other."

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Library School.

IMPORTANT NOTICE! ANSWER AT ONCE!

The next American Library Association conference will meet in Ottawa, Canada, from June 26th to July 2nd, 1912. Preliminary notices concerning this and covering travel plans will be found in the March A. L. A. **Bulletin** soon to be issued.

A Post Conference trip is planned on the St. Lawrence and Saguenay rivers, ending at Montreal on the morning of July 9th. The cost of this week-long river trip will be well within $40—including stateroom (holding two persons), meals and side excursions. An outline of the trip follows:

> The party will leave Ottawa on Wednesday morning July 3rd, arriving in Montreal for lunch and will spend the afternoon and evening in seeing the city, visiting McGill University and the Westmount public library. On Wednesday evening, July 3rd, the party takes special steamer and proceeds down the river, passing Quebec the next morning, calling in the afternoon at the little French village of Les Eboulements, and later at Tadousac at the mouth of the Saguenay. Between Tadousac and Capes Eternity and Trinity occurs the very finest scenery on the Saguenay; and this part of the route will be traversed while the sun is setting and the late moon rising, so that the Capes themselves may be seen by moonlight. Early next morning the steamer will be at Ha Ha Bay, near Chicoutimi, and chosen instead of the latter as a turning-point of the excursion. Having ascended the Saguenay by night the descent will be made by day with a long stop at the Capes, and at Tadousac. Thence the steamer will cross the St. Lawrence, here 18 to 20 miles wide, in order to give the party an additional taste of salt water and also to get the effect of the sunset on the northern cliffs. The next day will be spent at Murray Bay; the next (Sunday) at Quebec. Three rivers at the mouth of the St. Maurice river will be reached on Monday morning, and there a landing will be made for a day's excursion to Shawinigan Falls. On Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock the Post-Conference trip will end at Montreal in time for all home-bound trains.

The reason we ask your immediate reply concerning this trip is that steamers held by us must be chartered **at once.** 225 persons can be comfortably accommodated on one steamer; the second will take upwards of 150 more. Should this second steamer be chartered and not be needed it would involve a possible loss of several thousand dollars, which your committee would not care to incur, yet we do not want to disappoint anyone desiring to make this splendid and famous trip, for which the rate is so much below the regular charges. Therefore, will you please stamp, fill out and, addressing Mr. F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis St., Boston,

Return Enclosed Card at Once.

Further details of this trip will be given later (probably in the May A. L. A. Bulletin) and applications for berths will then be made direct to the steamboat company,—first come, first served.

THE A. L. A. TRAVEL COMMITTEE

March 11, 1912.

American Library Association

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for Proposed Post Conference Trip, 1912

Leave Montreal,	Wednesday	July 3rd,	9.00 P.M.
Leave Quebec	Thursday	" 4th,	9.00 A.M.
Arrive L'Anse St. Jean	"	" 4th,	7.00 P.M.
Leave " " "	"	" 4th,	8.30 P.M.
Arrive Ha Ha Bay	"	" 4th,	11.30 P.M.
Leave " " "	Friday	" 5th,	8.00 A.M.
Arrive Capes	"	" 5th,	10.15 A.M.
Leave "	"	" 5th,	11.00 A.M.
Arrive Tadousac	"	" 5th,	1.30 P.M.
Leave "	"	" 5th,	6.00 P.M.
Arrive Murray Bay	"	" 5th,	10.00 P.M.

Via South Shore.

Saturday, July 6th, Luncheon, Manoir Richelieu.

Leave Murray Bay	Saturday	July 6th,	7.00 P.M.
Arrive Quebec	Sunday	" 7th,	6.00 A.M.
Leave "	Monday	" 8th,	5.00 P.M.
Arrive Montreal	Tuesday	" 9th,	6.00 A.M.

NOTE.—Delegates desiring to return to Toronto, Rochester, Niagara Falls, etc., via the Thousand Islands and R. & O. Lines, may purchase tickets at special rates of $8.00 from Montreal and $5.00 from Prescott to Charlotte or Toronto.

Tickets and further particulars regarding this portion of the service may be obtained from our representative on board steamer.

THE Post Conference Trip of the American Library Association to the Saguenay will be made on the new steamer "*Saguenay*" (built on the Clyde, in 1911), constructed with the idea of according the maximum amount of comfort and convenience to the travelling public. Among her many distinguishing features are large observation saloons, handsomely furnished, cosy card rooms, inviting social halls, observation dining room, and sleeping accommodation so arranged that all rooms are outside staterooms. In addition, there are also parlor staterooms with bath-room attached.

The scenery of the Saguenay at the season of the excursion has a charm and distinction all its own. The verdant green of early summer foliage, the sun-kissed cliffs and the mountain peaks, with their gorgeous crowns of liquid gold, have an attractiveness to which words fail to do justice.

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LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

June 17, 1912

American Library Association,
Ottawa, Canada

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library at its regular meeting held June 12, 1912 urged upon its representative in your body that your next annual meeting be held in Louisville, Kentucky and in case you accept this invitation we promise to do all that we can to make your stay among us pleasant and profitable.

Awaiting your response of acceptance to this invitation, we are

Yours very truly

Bennett H. Young
Vice-President

W. H. Bartholomew
Secretary

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Mayor

Louisville, Ky., June 17, 1912

American Library Association,
In Session in the City of Ottawa,
Dominion of Canada

As Mayor of the City of Louisville and as President of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library, I, in the name of nearly 300,000 people, heartily join the Kentucky Library Commission, the Kentucky Library Association, the Louisville Convention and Publicity League, the Louisville Commercial Club, the Louisville Board of Trade and all other organizations and individuals in extending to you an invitation to hold in this city your session in 1913.

A library represents the artistic and intellectual development of a community. The library system is actually one of the bulwarks

of the North American Continent. In my opinion, it does as much as any other one thing to enlighten the people, to elevate citizenship, promoting contentment and diffusing general happiness.

Louisville is the southern entrance to God's sunny country. It is a city of homes, a city of prosperity, a city in which the people take a deep and abiding pride in all that uplifts. It is the City of matchless opportunity, and a city of cordiality and kingly courtesy. Here we combine business with pleasure and a vast majority lead a happy existence.

We believe in the smile, not the grouch. We are progressive, never stationary. We believe that books are a gift from God and libraries are one of the greatest blessings of humanity.

We trust that you will take advantage of this invitation. We are anxious to open to you our hearts and our homes. We wish for you a particularly pleasant, profitable and enlightened convention in Ottawa. We predict that if you come to Kentucky's great metropolis you will not regret it and that your sessions here will be marked by intense pleasure and gratifying success.

Very truly yours,

W. O. Head

LOUISVILLE CONVENTION AND PUBLICITY LEAGUE

Louisville, Ky., June 3, 1912

To the Officers and Members of the American Library Association in Session at Ottawa, Canada:

Greeting:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Louisville Convention League and in the name of all our civic bodies, as well as our people generally, a most cordial invitation is extended to hold your 1913 meeting in this city and our pledge is given in advance to do everything within our power looking to the entertainment of your members and providing for the substantial requirements.

This invitation will be presented by Mr. George Settle, Assistant Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library, and who is deputized to speak in our behalf. Mr. Settle will tell you truthfully that Louisville is ideally situated for convention purposes; that in the way of transportation facilities its advantages are unrivaled; that its hotel accommodations are commodious and up-to-date and reason-

able in all respects; and that its diversions for the leisure hours between sessions are varied and unusually attractive.

We are inviting you to come to Louisville because we know something of your organization and have proper appreciation for the splendid work it is accomplishing. We want you to come because we are interested and in harmony with the purposes which animate you, and our League feels that the privilege of extending a welcome and supplying in your honor some of the ambrosial hospitality for which Kentucky is celebrated will be an exceptional distinction.

Urging the acceptance of this invitation and bespeaking a most pleasant and prosperous session in Ottawa and indulging the hope that we may see you in 1913, believe me,

Sincerely yours

R. W. Brown
Secretary

LOUISVILLE BOARD OF TRADE

Louisville, Ky., June 18, 1912

President and Members of
American Library Association,
Ottawa, Canada

GENTLEMEN:

The Directors and Members of the Louisville Board of Trade join heartily the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library in inviting and urging your Association to hold your annual convention of 1913 in this city, and we promise for and pledge, not only the members of the Board of Trade but all the people of our city, to give you a generous welcome, and do all in their power to make your visit a pleasant one and the convention a great success.

I can assure you that your acceptance of this invitation will give the greatest pleasure and satisfaction to our citizens.

Very sincerely,

JAMES F. BUCKNER, JR.
Secretary

GEORGE L. DANFORTH
President

LOUISVILLE COMMERCIAL CLUB

June 17, 1912

Officers of the American Library Association

GENTLEMEN:

In behalf of the Louisville Commercial Club with its membership of 3,000 business men, we wish to extend a most cordial invitation to the American Library Association to hold their 1913 convention in Louisville.

We realize the splendid body of men and women represented by the personnel of your organization, and on that account are doubly desirous of having you visit us. Our city is more centrally located than any other city in the country. Our railroad and hotel facilities are unusually good and our people will vie with one another in extending to the members of your organization a hearty hospitality.

With assurances of deepest respect and the earnest hope that you will give our city favorable consideration,

Yours very truly,

JOHN M. SCOTT
President

W. E. MORROW
Secretary

SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Louisville, Ky., June 15, 1912

American Library Association,

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I take great pleasure in uniting with my colleagues of the various Libraries of Louisville in extending a cordial invitation to your body to meet in Louisville in 1913. It will mean much to our local Libraries to have you in our community. Our city is becoming more and more a convention city. If you decide to come to Louisville in 1913, we shall do our best to make your visit pleasant and profitable.

Yours very truly,

John R. Sampey
Librarian of Southern Baptist
Theological Seminary

PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
OF KENTUCKY

Rev. Edward L. Warren, D. D., Librarian

Louisville, Ky., June 17, 1912

Members of the American Library Association,

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It gives me pleasure to unite with the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library and other Louisville organizations in extending an invitation to the American Library Association to meet in Louisville in 1913.

I realize what a visit from your body would mean to the city and feel also that it would benefit the members of your association. With best wishes for a successful conference and with the hope of having the privilege of entertaining your body next year, I am

Yours very truly

Edward L. Warren
Librarian

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FILSON CLUB OF KENTUCKY

Reuben T. Durrett, President

Louisville, Ky., June 17, 1912

To the Members of the American Library Association

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Filson Club I desire to join the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library in their invitation to you to meet in Louisville in 1913.

If you should decide to come to Louisville, and I hope you will, I assure you a cordial welcome and a pleasant visit to our city.

Sincerely yours,

Reuben T. Durrett

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

Executive Department

Frankfort

June 17, 1912

American Library Association:

I unite with the Kentucky Library Association, the Louisville Convention and Publicity League, the Louisville Commercial Club, and other organizations of that city, in inviting the members of the American Library Association to meet in Louisville in 1913.

As Governor of Kentucky, I, with pleasure, say that our State will be honored if the American Library Association will hold its meeting in Louisville during the year indicated.

Respectfully,

James B. McCreary
Governor

KENTUCKY LIBRARY COMMISSION

Frankfort, Ky., June 10, 1912

To the Board of Trustees,
Louisville Free Public Library.

GENTLEMEN:

The following resolution was passed by the Kentucky Library Commission during the meeting at Frankfort, June 4, 1912:

Whereas, the Louisville Free Public Library Board of Trustees is making an effort to secure the 1913 meeting of the American Library Association, and

Whereas, This meeting will bring to Kentucky such forceful leaders as will stimulate interest in library work throughout the State, be it

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the movement and join the Louisville Free Public Library Board of Trustees in its effort to secure this meeting for Kentucky.

FANNIE C. RAWSON
Secretary

KENTUCKY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Frankfort, Ky., June 10, 1912

Board of Trustees,
Louisville Free Public Library,
Louisville, Ky.

GENTLEMEN:

The Kentucky Library Association endorses the proposed effort of the Louisville Free Public Library Board of Trustees to secure the meeting of the American Library Association for Louisville, and heartily joins the Board in its invitation to the Association for the meeting of 1913.

FANNIE C. RAWSON
Secretary-Treasurer

MAIN LIBRARY

Organized April 1902

Opened May 1905

Carnegie Building opened July 24, 1908

Site cost	$110,225.52
Improving grounds	8,964.30
Building	256,838.53
Steel stacks	35,434.00
Furniture, fixtures and decoration	24,152.42
Total	$435,614.77

Number of volumes available June 1912	112,025
Average monthly circulation 1911-12	32,735

REFERENCE WORK 1911-12

Main Library

Reference books	19,456
Current magazines and newspapers	420
Approximate number of questions answered	17,551
Bibliographies prepared	112
Books and magazines loaned for home use	3,340
Pictures loaned	882
Non-residents assisted	148

CHILDREN'S WORK

Work with children is done at

Main Children's Room
Six Branch Libraries
Four Social Settlements
Three Social Centers
Two Mills
Two Factories
Two Orphans' Homes
One Parish House
One Department Store
One Reformatory
One Parochial School
210 Classroom Libraries in Public Schools

Average monthly circulation 1911–12

Main	5,209
Branches	11,100
Classroom collections	12,882

LEE'S MEMORIAL READING ROOM

HIGHLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

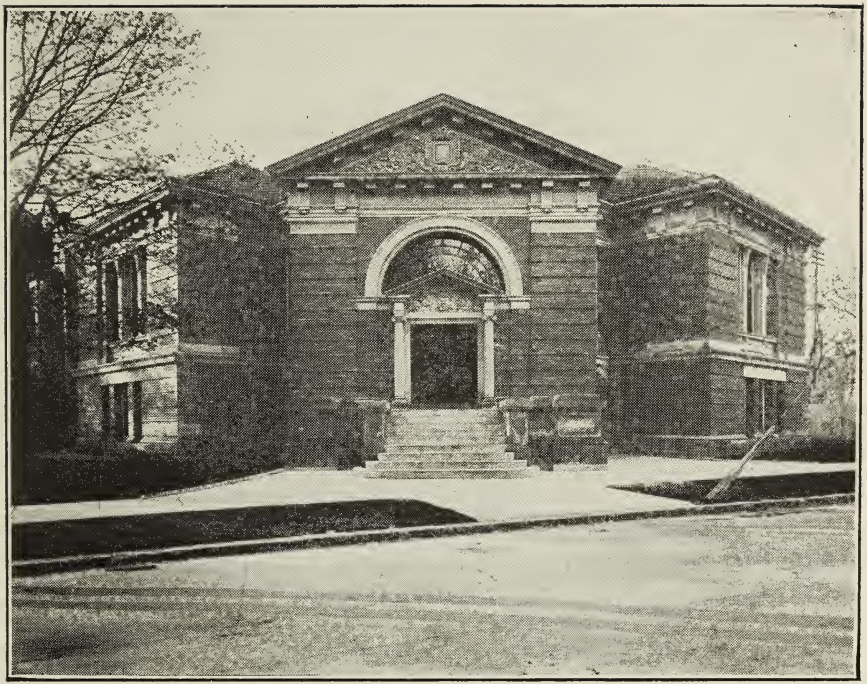
Organized June 1901

Transferred to Louisville Free Public Library January 1905

Carnegie Building opened February 8, 1908

Site, gift of citizens, cost	$ 4,000.00
Building	31,281.32
Total	$35,281.32

Number of volumes available June 1912	8,051
Average monthly circulation 1911–12	4,591



PORTLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

Opened in rented quarters December 1905

(Occupies main floor of Lewis Hall)

The Library Board has appropriated $22,500 for a new Carnegie Building, not including furniture, and has accepted the architect's plans and will begin work immediately The site costing $3,000 was donated by citizens.

Number of volumes available June 1912	7,730
Average monthly circulation 1911–12	6,173

LEWIS HALL

CRESCENT HILL BRANCH LIBRARY

Carnegie Building opened September 29, 1908

Site, gift of citizens, cost	$ 2,500.00
Building	27,823.21
Total	$30,323.21

Number of volumes available June 1912	4,903
Average monthly circulation 1911–12	4,123

PARKLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

Carnegie Building opened October 15, 1908

Site, gift of citizens, cost	$ 2,500.00
Building	22,669.32
Total	$25,169.32

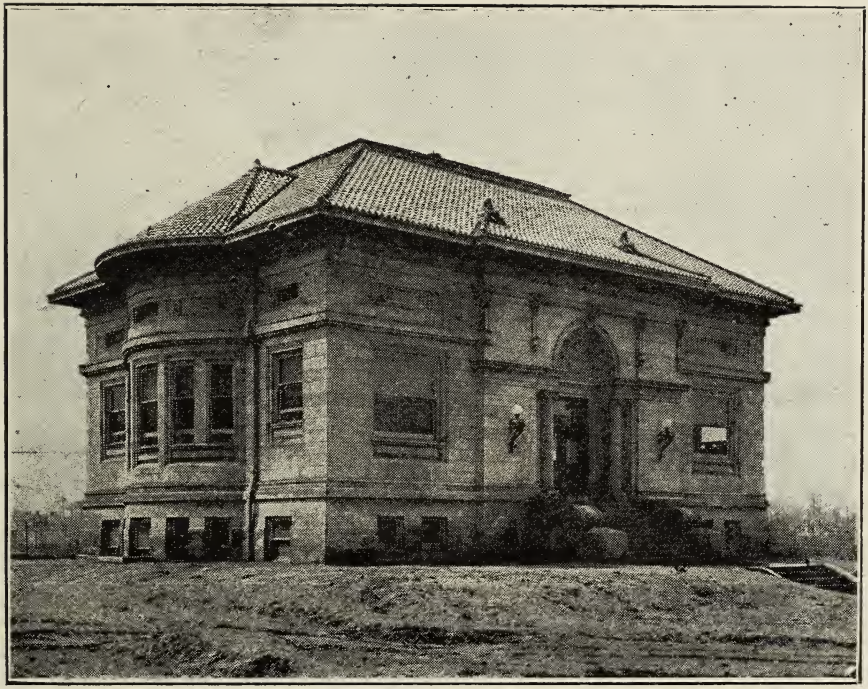
Number of volumes available June 1912	5,071
Average monthly circulation 1911–12	4,062

SHELBY PARK BRANCH LIBRARY

Carnegie Building opened March 27, 1911

Site, gift of citizens, cost	$ 1,200.00
Building	26,234.95
Total	$27,434.95

Number of volumes available June 1912	3,878
Average monthly circulation 1911–12	4,516



JEFFERSON BRANCH LIBRARY

Carnegie Building in process of erection

Site, gift of citizens, cost	$ 1,375.00
Building appropriation	22,500.00
Total	$23,875.00

COLORED BRANCH LIBRARY

Opened in rented quarters September 1905

Carnegie Building opened October 29, 1908

Site, cost	$ 3,105.00
Building	32,681.96
Total	$35,786.96

Number of volumes available June 1912	9,435
Average monthly circulation 1911–12	7,483

EASTERN COLORED BRANCH LIBRARY

The Library Board has appropriated $17,500 for a Carnegie Building. The Colored citizens in the eastern portion of the city are arranging to donate a site.

DOUGLASS DEBATING SOCIETY COLORED BRANCH

A FEW FACTS ABOUT LOUISVILLE

Louisville was established by an act of the Virginia Legislature in May 1780. The city was named in honor of Louis XVI of France

Second largest and most important city south of Mason and Dixon line

Known as "The Gateway of the North and the South"

Has a national reputation as a city of homes

It has one of the finest armories and convention halls in the United States

Famous for its medical universities, theological seminaries and training schools for teachers

Estimated population within six miles of city hall 300,000

Louisville's Park system is acknowledged to be one of the finest in the world. Experts have declared Cherokee Park to have few, if any, superiors in this country or Europe

Average temperature 57 degrees

Mammoth Cave, the largest cavern in the world, and one of the world's wonders, is just half a day's trip from Louisville.

HOTELS

The Seelbach
Hotel Henry Watterson
The Tyler
Louisville Hotel
Galt House
The Willard
The Old Inn
Fifth Avenue Hotel

DISTANCES FROM LOUISVILLE

Cities	Miles
Atlanta	476
Baltimore	584
Boston	1,191
Chicago	300
Cincinnati	130
Cleveland	393
Memphis	377
Nashville	187
New Orleans	811
New York	880
Philadelphia	790
Pittsburg	443
St. Louis	291
Washington	544